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References: [] 3384, Wash 01160, Wash 38050

Attached is Field Project Outline for THUNDERCLAP.

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FIELD PROJECT OUTLINE

PROJECT CRYPTONIA:

THUNDERCLAP

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1. Area of Operations and Headquarters:

- a. LUMA, DIBRA, and MATI are the areas of operation.
- b. Headquarters is in Athens, Greece.

2. References:

[] 6384, 6579; Wash 01160; Wash 38050

3. Aims:

a. Objectives:

1. Wash 38050: Determine the nature and extent of internal turmoil; indications of a satellite attack on Yugoslavia; indications of a Greek guerrilla offensive against Greece; extent of Soviet support and control, and arrival of Soviet military units.
2. Penetrate the Albanian Intelligence Service.
3. Determine the extent of, and gather information from, the underground movement in the operational area.
4. Determine the extent of, and penetrate, Albanian operations against Yugoslavia and vice-versa.

b. Targets:

1. General Dalli MDREU ([] 6579).
2. General Haxhi ELLESHI ([] 6579).
3. Hamit ZERI, Rexhep ALUSHI, Osman HALITI, Halit OSMANI, Auke SINANNI, Daut Hoxha, Rushit DACI, Ali TAHIRI, Ismail TAPA, Shaban KOZIJAJ, Sadik DODA, Sahit ~~CEZE~~, Kapollin BEGU, Manbarchi and Ismail JAKUPI ([] 6579). ~~CEGA~~

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c. Tasks:

1. Contact Hamit ZEBI who is a relative of DEDSHI and a close friend of NDREU.
2. Set up W/T base in operational area.
3. Organize and securely control major cut-outs and dead letter drops for transmission of the information to the team.

4. Personnel:

- a. Pseudonym - THUNDERCLAP
- b. The team consists of T/1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. All team members except T/4 are in the operational area; T/4 is in a safehouse in Athens.

5. Cover:

- a. While in Greece the team will live in a safehouse as Albanian refugees. Coordination and protection for team has been effected with Greek authorities.
- b. No cover is necessary in the operational area since the team will operate as illegal residents.

6. Contact and Communications:

- a. Contact in the operational area will be maintained via W/T.
- b. In Greece, contact with the group is maintained at the safehouse by the case officer.

7. Control:

- a. The team members are confident that the United States has no selfish interest in Albania and they will not act in such a manner as to lose contact with U. S. representatives.
- b. While in Greece the team members are refugees subject to Greek law; they are dependent upon us for their livelihood; their movement is controlled by their being kept in a safehouse.

8. Special Equipment:

All special equipment concerning W/T communications and parachute training has been procured.

9. Coordination:

All necessary coordination with the Greek authorities has been effected.

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10. Timetable:

The operation was mounted 16 August 1951.

11. Estimated Cost:

	<u>Quarterly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
a. Safehouse		
1. Rental	\$ 300.00	\$1200.00
2. Repair and maintenance, including heat, electricity, water.	75.00	300.00
b. Living expenditures		
1. Based on \$66.66 monthly per man	1000.00	4000.00
c. Operational expenditures	1500.00	6000.00
d. Salaries		
1. Based on \$300.00 per man annually	<u>375.00</u>	<u>1500.00</u>
Total	\$3250.00	\$13,000.00

It should be realized that expenditures will vary depending upon whether the team is in a safehouse or in the operational area.

12. Commitments:

- a. The team was to have Taf LITA join them prior to the mounting of the operation. Normal delay in recruiting LITA necessitated their leaving without him.
- b. We are committed to support the team while they are operating on this mission.
- c. No monetary commitments have been made at present.
- d. When the operation is terminated, it is hoped that the team members will be aided in returning to a normal manner of living.

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